March 1, 1999

Magalie Roman Salas, Esquire Secretary Federal Communications Commission Room 222 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554



Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for Jackpot, Nevada.

Sincerely,

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PETITION FOR RULE MAKING

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 287C1 (105.3 Mhz) to Jackpot, Nevada as its first local FM allotment.

INTRODUCTION

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 287C1 (105.3 Mhz) to Jackpot, Nevada and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 287C1 to Jackpot will have.

DISCUSSION

2. Jackpot is located in Northeast Nevada. It is also located within Elko County, a county of some 33,530 persons. Jackpot has a population of 570 persons in accordance with the U.S. 1990 census.

3. The allotment of channel 287C1 to Jackpot will provide the first local broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment to Jackpot is located at Twin Falls, Idaho. Twin Falls is located 87 kilometers from Jackpot.

It is obvious that from the above spacing that Jackpot is presently without local FM service.

- 4. Jackpot would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no AM or FM broadcast facilities within 87 Kilometers of Jackpot. Because of this, it would have an outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having a local communications outlet for warning the Jackpot area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards.
- 5. Channel 287C1 can be allotted to Jackpot and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73.202.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Jackpot, Nevada		287C1

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 287C1 and the pertinent adjacent channels to 287C1 have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study (N 41 - 49' - 23", W. 114 - 51' - 24") are that of a site located within the community of Jackpot. No site restriction will be required to allot channel 287C1 to Jackpot. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of Jackpot. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

CONCLUSION

- 7. It has been shown that Jackpot would benefit from the allotment of channel 287C1. It has also been shown that channel 287C1 can be allotted to Jackpot and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 287C1 for Jackpot, Navada, 73.202.
- 8. Should channel 287C1 be allotted to Jackpot, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for Jackpot, Nevada.

CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated:

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Respectfully submitted,

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MAPFM search of channel 287C1 (105.3 MHz), at N. 41 49 23, W. 114 51 24.

Searching Channel 287C1 (105.3 MHz):

CALL	CITY				_	DIST			CLEARANCE
KIKX	Ketchum	ID	284	C	L	171.7	105.0	19.6°	66.7
K285B0	Wells	NV	285	D	L	69.8	0.0	185.9°	69.8
ALC	Boise	ID	286	C	U	237.5	209.0	334.7°	28.5
KJOT	Boise	ID	286	C	\mathbf{L}	237.5	209.0	334.7°	28.5

FIGURE 1
JACKPOT, NEVADA
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